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MSS 249 / P 249 / R 249, 1954-1992, Charlie Anderson Collection

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History

Charlie Anderson was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1923. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1946. After leaving the Navy, Anderson began working as a machinist at the Ball Brothers Corporation in Muncie, Indiana, from 1947 until 1952. After a brief stint working at the General Motors Allison plant in Indianapolis, Anderson returned to Ball Corp. in 1954, remaining employed there until 1971. During those years Anderson became an active member of U.A.W. Local 93, serving as president six times. In 1971 Anderson began working at Delco Remy in Anderson until his retirement in 1992, also actively participating in U.A.W. Local 662.

In 1963 Anderson worked for the State Department as Education Director for the Agency for International Development. As part of his duties there Anderson trained union leaders from the Republic of Cyprus, focusing specifically on teaching techniques and tactics to avoid Communist infiltration in their unions. In 1978 Anderson traveled to Denmark on behalf of Senator Edward Kennedy in order to do research on that country's social reform and legislation. Anderson also played an active role on the Ball State University Medical Development Committee, resulting in the construction of the Edward F. Ball Medical Education Center, and, as a union representative, he lobbied for the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act (1985), the Highway Bill (1987), along with his continuing effort to lobby for Veteran's benefits and reforms.

Scope and Content

This collection contains documents and correspondence relating to the Ball Brothers Corp., Anderson's work with The Republic of Cyprus' union leaders, his research in Denmark, and his career working for U.A.W. Locals 93 and 662. P 249 is a collection of photographs taken by Anderson. R 249 is a cassette tape interview of Anderson recorded in 2006.

Related materials on Charlie Anderson and organized labor in Muncie, Indiana can be found in the following collection: R 76 Muncie Labor Oral History Project.

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Interview with Charlie Anderson

